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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Katsunori YAGI, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/944,172

Group Art Unit: 2834

Confirmation No.: 9843

Examiner: ELKASSABGI, Heba

Filed: September 04, 2001

For: STARTER WITH OVERHEAT PROTECTION DEVICE INCLUDING BRUSH DEVICE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir or Madam:

In response to the non-final Office action dated May 20, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Below are Applicants' amendments in clean form, without markings to indicate the changes that have been made.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

1. (Amended) A starter with an overheat protection device including a brush device provided with

brush holders,

brushes slidably supported in said brush holders, respectively,